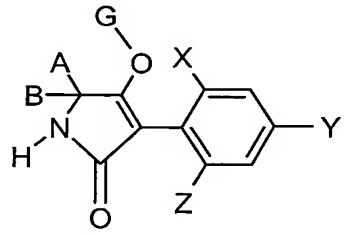
Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Cancelled)

2. (Currently amended) ~~Compounds~~ A compound of ~~the~~ formula (I)



(I)

~~according to Claim 1,~~ in which

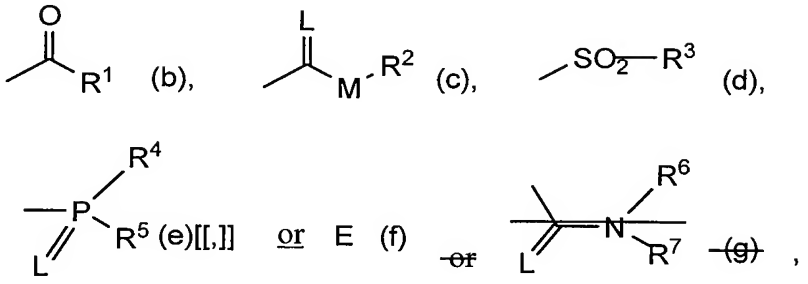
X ~~represents~~ is chlorine or bromine,

Y ~~represents~~ is C_1-C_3-alkyl,

Z ~~represents~~ is ethyl, n-propyl or n-butyl,

A, B and the carbon atom to which they are attached ~~represents~~ are saturated ~~C_3-C_8-cycloalkyl~~ C_6-cycloalkyl in which optionally [[one]] the third methylene group is replaced by oxygen ~~or sulphur~~ and which is optionally substituted by ~~C_1-C_4-haloalkyl or~~ C_1-C_6-alkoxy,

G represents hydrogen (a) or represents one of the groups



in which

E represents a metal ion equivalent or an ammonium ion,

L represents oxygen or sulphur and

M represents oxygen or sulphur,

R^1 represents C_1-C_{20}-alkyl, C_2-C_{20}-alkenyl, C_1-C_6-alkoxy-C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_6-alkylthio-C_1-C_6-alkyl or poly-C_1-C_4-alkoxy-C_1-C_4-alkyl, each of which is optionally mono- to heptasubstituted by halogen, mono- or disubstituted by cyano, monosubstituted by COR^{13}, $C{=}N\text{-}OR^{13}$, CO_2R^{13} or $CON\begin{smallmatrix}R^{13}\\R^{13'}\end{smallmatrix}$, or

represents C_3-C_8-cycloalkyl which is optionally mono- to trisubstituted by halogen, C_1-C_4-alkyl or C_1-C_4-alkoxy and in which optionally one or two not directly adjacent methylene groups are replaced by oxygen and/or sulphur,

represents phenyl, phenyl-C_1-C_2-alkyl or phenyl-C_1-C_2-alkenyl, each of which is optionally mono- to trisubstituted by halogen, cyano, nitro, C_1-C_6-alkyl, C1-C_6-alkoxy, C_1-C_6-haloalkyl, C_1-C_6-haloalkoxy, C_1-C_6-alkylthio, C_1-C_6-alkylsulphinyl or C_1-C_6-alkylsulphonyl,

represents 5- or 6-membered hetaryl which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by halogen or C_1-C_6-alkyl and which contains one or two heteroatoms from the group consisting of oxygen, sulphur and nitrogen,

R^2 represents C_1-C_{20}-alkyl, C_2-C_{20}-alkenyl, C_1-C_6-alkoxy-C_2-C_6-alkyl or poly-C_1-C_6-alkoxy-C_2-C_6-alkyl, each of which is optionally mono- to trisubstituted by halogen,

represents C_3-C_8-cycloalkyl which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by halogen, C_1-C_6-alkyl or C_1-C_6-alkoxy or

represents phenyl or benzyl, each of which is optionally mono- to trisubstituted by halogen, cyano, nitro, C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_6-alkoxy, C_1-C_6-haloalkyl or C_1-C_6-haloalkoxy,

R^3 represents C_1-C_8-alkyl which is optionally mono- or polysubstituted by halogen or represents phenyl or benzyl, each of which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by halogen, C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_6-alkoxy, C_1-C_4-haloalkyl, C_1-C_4-haloalkoxy, cyano or nitro,

R^4 and R^5 independently of one another represent C_1-C_8-alkyl, C_1-C_8-alkoxy, C_1-C_8-alkylamino, di-(C_1-C_8-alkyl)amino, C_1-C_8-alkylthio or C_2-C_8-alkenylthio, each of which is optionally mono- to trisubstituted by halogen, or represent phenyl, phenoxy or phenylthio, each of which is optionally mono- to trisubstituted by halogen, nitro, cyano, C_1-C_4-alkoxy, C_1-C_4-haloalkoxy, C_1-C_4-alkylthio, C_1-C_4-haloalkylthio, C_1-C_4-alkyl or C_1-C_4-haloalkyl,

~~R^6 and R^7 independently of one another represent hydrogen, represent C_1-C_8-alkyl, C_3-C_8-cycloalkyl, C_1-C_8-alkoxy, C_3-C_8-alkenyl or C_1-C_8-alkoxy-C_2-C_8-alkyl, each of which is optionally mono- to trisubstituted by halogen, represent phenyl or benzyl, each of which is optionally mono- to trisubstituted by halogen, C_1-C_8-alkyl, C_1-C_8-haloalkyl or C_1-C_8-alkoxy, or together represent a C_3-C_6-alkylene radical which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by C_1-C_4-alkyl and in which optionally one methylene group is replaced by oxygen or sulphur,~~

R^{13} represents C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_3-C_6-alkenyl, C_3-C_6-alkynyl or C_1-C_4-alkoxy-C_2-C_4-alkyl, each of which is optionally mono- to trisubstituted by halogen,

or represents C_3-C_6-cycloalkyl which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by halogen, C_1-C_2-alkyl or C_1-C_2-alkoxy and in which optionally one or two not directly adjacent methylene groups are replaced by oxygen, or represents phenyl or phenyl-C_1-C_2-alkyl, each of which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by halogen, C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_1-C_4-alkoxy, C_1-C_2-haloalkyl, C_1-C_2-haloalkoxy, cyano or nitro

R^{13} represents hydrogen, C_1-C_6-alkyl or C_3-C_6-alkenyl.

3. (Currently amended) ~~Compounds~~ The compound of the formula (I) according to Claim [[1]] 2, in which

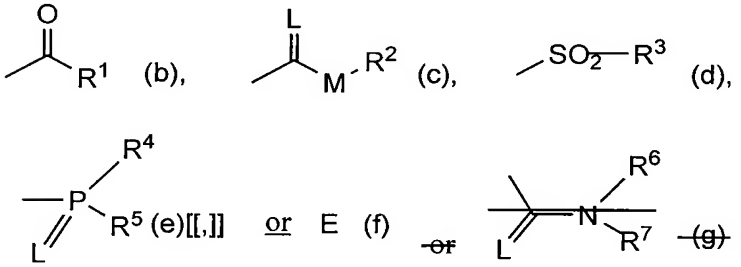
X represents chlorine or bromine,

Y represents methyl or ethyl,

Z represents ethyl or n-propyl,

A, B and the carbon atom to which they are attached represent saturated ~~C_3-C_8-cycloalkyl~~ C_6-cycloalkyl in which optionally [[one]] the third methylene group is replaced by oxygen and which is optionally monosubstituted by ~~C_1-C_2-haloalkyl or~~ C_1-C_4-alkoxy,

G represents hydrogen (a) or represents one of the groups



in which

E represents a metal ion equivalent or an ammonium ion,

L represents oxygen or sulphur and

M represents oxygen or sulphur,

R^1 represents C_1-C_{10}-alkyl, C_2-C_{10}-alkenyl, C_1-C_4-alkoxy-C_1-C_2-alkyl, C_1-C_4-alkylthio-C_1-C_2-alkyl or poly-C_1-C_3-alkoxy-C_1-C_2-alkyl, each of which is optionally mono- to pentasubstituted by fluorine or chlorine, monosubstituted by cyano, monosubstituted by CO-R^{13}, C=N-OR^{13} or CO_2R^{13}, or represents C_3-C_6-cycloalkyl which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by fluorine, chlorine, C_1-C_2-alkyl or C_1-C_2-alkoxy and in which optionally one or two not directly adjacent methylene groups are replaced by oxygen,

represents phenyl or benzyl, each of which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by fluorine, chlorine, bromine, cyano, nitro, C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_1-C_4-alkylthio, C_1-C_4-alkylsulphinyl, C_1-C_4-alkylsulphonyl, C_1-C_4-alkoxy, C_1-C_2-haloalkyl or C_1-C_2-haloalkoxy,

represents pyrazolyl, thiazolyl, pyridyl, pyrimidyl, furanyl or thienyl, each of which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by fluorine, chlorine, bromine or C_1-C_2-alkyl,

R^2 represents C_1-C_{10}-alkyl, C_2-C_{10}-alkenyl, C_1-C_4-alkoxy-C_2-C_4-alkyl or poly-C_1-C_4-alkoxy-C_2-C_4-alkyl, each of which is optionally mono- to trisubstituted by fluorine or chlorine,

represents C_3-C_7-cycloalkyl which is optionally monosubstituted by C_1-C_2-alkyl or C_1-C_2-alkoxy, or

represents phenyl or benzyl, each of which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by fluorine, chlorine, bromine, cyano, nitro, C_1-C_4-alkyl, methoxy, trifluoromethyl or trifluoromethoxy,

R^3 represents C_1-C_4-alkyl which is optionally mono- to trisubstituted by fluorine or chlorine or represents phenyl or benzyl, each of which is

optionally monosubstituted by fluorine, chlorine, bromine, C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_1-C_4-alkoxy, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, cyano or nitro,

R^4 and R^5 independently of one another each represent C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_6-alkoxy, C_1-C_6-alkylamino, di-(C_1-C_6-alkyl)amino, C_1-C_6-alkylthio or C_3-C_4-alkenylthio, each of which is optionally mono- to trisubstituted by fluorine or chlorine, or represent phenyl, phenoxy or phenylthio, each of which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by fluorine, chlorine, bromine, nitro, cyano, C_1-C_3-alkoxy, trifluoromethoxy, C_1-C_3-alkylthio, C_1-C_3-alkyl or trifluoromethyl,

~~R^6 and R^7 independently of one another represent hydrogen, represent C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_3-C_6-cycloalkyl, C_1-C_4-alkoxy, C_3-C_6-alkenyl or C_1-C_6-alkoxy-C_2-C_6-alkyl, each of which is optionally mono- to trisubstituted by fluorine or chlorine, represent phenyl which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by fluorine, chlorine, bromine, trifluoromethyl, C_1-C_4-alkyl or C_1-C_4-alkoxy, or together represent a C_5-C_6-alkylene radical which is optionally mono- or disubstituted by methyl and in which optionally one methylene group is replaced by oxygen,~~

R^{13} represents C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_3-C_4-alkenyl, C_3-C_4-alkynyl or C_1-C_4-alkoxy-C_2-C_3-alkyl or C_3-C_4-cycloalkyl in which optionally one methylene group is replaced by oxygen.

4. (Currently amended) ~~Compounds~~ The compound of the formula (I) according to Claim [[1]] 2 in which

X represents chlorine or bromine,

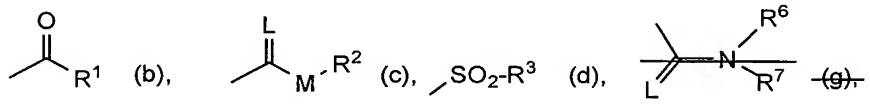
Y represents methyl,

Z represents ethyl,

A, B and the carbon atom to which they are attached represent saturated C_6-cycloalkyl in which optionally [[one]] the third methylene group is replaced

by oxygen and which is optionally monosubstituted by ~~trifluoromethyl,~~ methoxy, ethoxy, n-propoxy, isopropoxy, n-butoxy or isobutoxy,

G represents hydrogen (a) or represents one of the groups



in which

L represents oxygen and

M represents oxygen or sulphur,

R^1 represents C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_2-C_6-alkenyl, C_1-C_2-alkoxy-C_1-C_2-alkyl, C_1-C_2-alkylthio-C_1-C_2-alkyl or poly-C_1-C_2-alkoxy-C_1-C_2-alkyl, each of which is optionally mono- to trisubstituted by fluorine or chlorine, or represents cyclopropyl, cyclopentyl or cyclohexyl, each of which is optionally monosubstituted by fluorine, chlorine, methyl, ethyl or methoxy,

represents phenyl which is optionally monosubstituted by fluorine, chlorine, bromine, cyano, nitro, methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl, methoxy, ethoxy, methylthio, ethylthio, methylsulphinyl, ethylsulphinyl, methylsulphonyl, ethylsulphonyl, trifluoromethyl or trifluoromethoxy,

represents furanyl, thienyl or pyridyl, each of which is optionally monosubstituted by chlorine, bromine or methyl,

R^2 represents C_1-C_8-alkyl, C_2-C_6-alkenyl or C_1-C_3-alkoxy-C_2-C_3-alkyl, cyclopentyl or cyclohexyl,

or represents phenyl or benzyl, each of which is optionally monosubstituted by fluorine, chlorine, bromine, cyano, nitro, methyl, methoxy, trifluoromethyl or trifluoromethoxy,

R^3 represents C_1-C_4-alkyl which is optionally mono- to trisubstituted by fluorine or chlorine or represents phenyl or benzyl, each of which is optionally monosubstituted by fluorine, chlorine, bromine, C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_1-C_4-alkoxy, trifluoromethyl, trifluoromethoxy, cyano or nitro[[,]] .

~~R^6 represents hydrogen, represents C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_3-C_6-cycloalkyl or allyl, represents phenyl which is optionally monosubstituted by fluorine, chlorine, bromine, methyl, methoxy or trifluoromethyl,~~

~~R^7 represents methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, isopropyl or allyl,~~

~~R^6 and R^7 together represent a C_5-C_6-alkylene radical in which optionally one methylene group is replaced by oxygen.~~

5. (Currently amended) ~~Compounds~~ The compound of the formula (I) according to Claim [[1]] 2 in which

X represents chlorine or bromine,

Y represents methyl,

Z represents ethyl,

A, B and the carbon atom to which they are attached represent saturated C_6-cycloalkyl in which optionally [[one]] the third methylene group is replaced by oxygen and which is optionally monosubstituted by methoxy, ethoxy, n-propoxy, isopropoxy, n-butoxy or isobutoxy,

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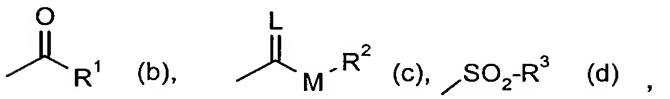


in which

L represents oxygen and

M represents oxygen,

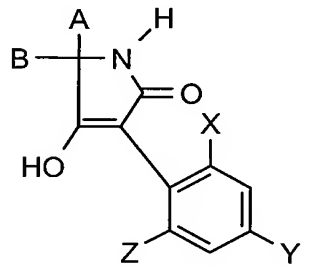
R^1 represents C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_2-alkoxy-C_1-C_2-alkyl, each of which is optionally mono- to trisubstituted by fluorine or chlorine, or represents cyclopropyl,

R^2 represents C_1-C_8-alkyl or C_2-C_6-alkenyl,

R^3 represents C_1-C_4-alkyl.

6. (Currently amended) ~~Process~~ A process for preparing ~~compounds~~ a compound of the formula (I) according to Claim [[1]] 2, characterized in that, to obtain

(A) ~~compounds~~ a compound of the formula (I-a),

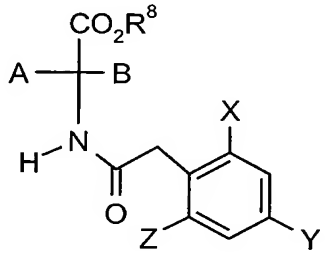


(I-a)

in which

A, B, X, Y and Z are as defined ~~above~~ in claim 2,

~~compounds~~ a compound of the formula (II),



(II)

in which

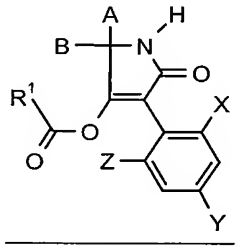
A, B, X, Y and Z are as defined ~~above~~ in claim 2

and

R^8 represents alkyl,

~~are~~ is condensed intramolecularly in the presence of a diluent and in the presence of a base,

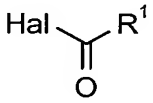
(B) ~~compounds~~ a compound of the formula (I-b) ~~shown above~~



(I-b)

in which A, B, R^1, X, Y and Z are as defined ~~above, compounds~~ in claim 2, a compound of the formula (I-a) shown above in which A, B, X, Y and Z are as defined ~~above are~~ in claim 2 is reacted

α) with an acid halide ~~halides~~ of the formula (III),



(III)

in which

R^1 is as defined ~~above~~ in claim 2 and

Hal represents halogen

or

ß) with a carboxylic anhydride ~~anhydrides~~ of the formula (IV),

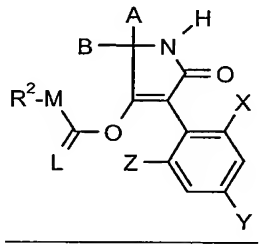
$$R^1\text{-CO-O-CO-}R^1 \qquad \text{(IV)}$$

in which

R^1 is as defined ~~above~~ in claim 2,

~~if appropriate~~ optionally in the presence of a diluent and ~~if appropriate~~ optionally in the presence of an acid binder,

(C) ~~compounds~~ a compound of the formula (I-c) ~~shown above~~



(I-c)

in which A, B, R^2, M, X, Y and Z are as defined ~~above~~ in claim 2 and L represents oxygen, ~~compounds~~ a compound of the formula (I-a) shown above in which A, B, X, Y and Z are as defined ~~above are~~ in claim 2 is in each case reacted

with a chloroformic ester ~~esters~~ or chloroformic thioester ~~thioesters~~ of the formula (V),

$$R^2\text{-M-CO-Cl} \qquad (V)$$

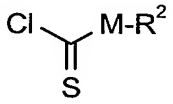
in which

R^2 and M are as defined ~~above~~ in claim 2,

~~if appropriate~~ optionally in the presence of a diluent and ~~if appropriate~~ optionally in the presence of an acid binder,

(D) ~~compounds~~ a compound of the formula (I-c) shown above in which A, B, R^2, M, X, Y and Z are as defined ~~above~~ in claim 2 and L represents sulphur, ~~compounds~~ a compound of the formula (I-a) shown above in which A, B, X, Y and Z are as defined ~~above are~~ in claim 2 is in each case reacted

α) with a chloromonothioformic ester ~~esters~~ or chlorodithioformic ester ~~esters~~ of the formula (VI)



(VI)

in which

M and R^2 are as defined ~~above~~ in claim 2,

~~if appropriate~~ optionally in the presence of a diluent and ~~if appropriate~~ optionally in the presence of an acid binder

or

ß) with carbon disulphide and then with ~~compounds~~ a compound of the formula (VII)

$$R^2\text{-Hal} \qquad \text{(VII)}$$

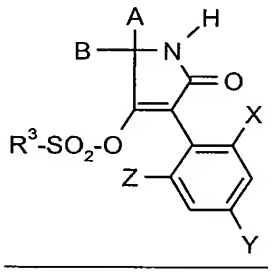
in which

R^2 is as defined ~~above~~ in claim 2 and

Hal represents chlorine, bromine or iodine,

~~if appropriate~~ optionally in the presence of a diluent and ~~if appropriate~~ optionally in the presence of a base,

(E) ~~compounds~~ a compound of the formula (I-d) ~~shown above~~



(I-d)

in which A, B, R^3, X, Y and Z are as defined ~~above, compounds~~ in claim 2, a compound of the formula (I-a) shown above in which A, B, X, Y and Z are as defined ~~above are~~ in claim 2 is in each case reacted

with a sulphonyl chloride ~~chlorides~~ of the formula (VIII)

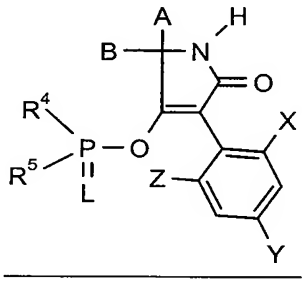
$$R^3\text{-}SO_2\text{-}Cl \qquad \text{(VIII)}$$

in which

R^3 is as defined ~~above~~ in claim 2,

~~if appropriate~~ optionally in the presence of a diluent and ~~if appropriate~~ optionally in the presence of an acid binder,

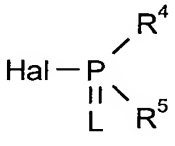
(F) ~~compounds~~ a compound of the formula (I-e) ~~shown above~~



(I-e)

in which A, B, L, R^4, R^5, X, Y and Z are as defined ~~above, compounds~~ in claim 2, a compound of the formula (I-a) shown above in which A, B, X, Y and Z are as defined ~~above are~~ in claim 2 is in each case reacted

with a phosphorus ~~compounds~~ compound of the formula (IX)



(IX)

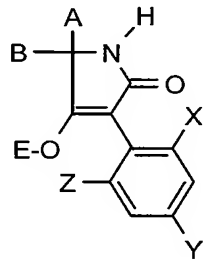
in which

L, R^4 and R^5 are as defined ~~above~~ in claim 2 and

Hal ~~represents~~ is halogen,

~~if appropriate~~ optionally in the presence of a diluent and ~~if appropriate~~ optionally in the presence of an acid binder,

(G) ~~compounds~~ a compound of the formula (I-f) ~~shown above~~

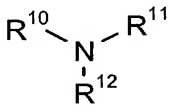


(I-f)

in which A, B, E, X, Y and Z are as defined ~~above, compounds~~ in claim 2, a compound of the formula (I-a) shown above in which A, B, X, Y and Z are as defined ~~above are~~ in claim 2 is in each case reacted

with a metal ~~compounds~~ compound or ~~amines~~ amine of the formulae (X) and (XI), respectively,

$Me(OR^{10})_t$ (X)



(XI)

in which

Me represents a mono- or divalent metal

t represents the number 1 or 2 and

R^{10}, R^{11}, R^{12} independently of one another represent hydrogen or alkyl,

~~if appropriate~~ optionally in the presence of a diluent[[,]] .

~~(H) compounds of the formula (I-g) shown above in which A, B, L, R^6, R^7, X, Y and Z are as defined above, compounds of the formula (I-a) shown above in which A, B, X, Y and Z are as defined above are is in each case reacted~~

~~α)~~ ~~with isocyanates or isothiocyanates of the formula (XII),~~

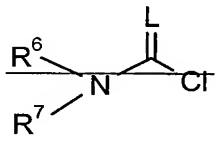
~~R^6-N=C=L~~ ~~(XII)~~

~~in which~~

~~R^6 and L~~ ~~are as defined above,~~

~~if appropriate in the presence of a diluent and if appropriate in the presence of a catalyst, or~~

~~ß)~~ ~~with carbamoyl chlorides or thiocarbamoyl chlorides of the formula (XIII)~~



~~(XIII)~~

~~in which~~

~~L, R^6 and R^7 are as defined above,~~

~~if appropriate in the presence of a diluent and if appropriate in the presence of an acid binder.~~

7. (Cancelled)

8. (Currently amended) ~~Pesticides and/or herbicides, characterized in that they comprise~~ A pesticide or herbicide comprising at least one compound of the formula (I) according to Claim [[1]] 2.

9. (Currently amended) ~~Method~~ A method for controlling animal pests and/or unwanted vegetation, ~~characterized in that compounds~~ comprising applying a compound of the formula (I) according to Claim [[1]] 2 ~~are allowed to act~~ on pests and/or their habitat.

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Currently amended) ~~Process~~ A process for preparing pesticides and/or herbicides, ~~characterized in that compounds~~ comprising mixing a compound of the formula (I) according to Claim [[1]] 2 ~~are mixed~~ with extenders and/or surfactants.

12. (Currently amended) ~~Compositions,~~ A composition comprising an effective amount of a combination of active compound comprising

(a') at least one substituted cyclic ketoenol of the formula (I) according to Claim [[1]] 2 in which A, B, G, X, Y and Z are as defined ~~above~~, in claim 2

and

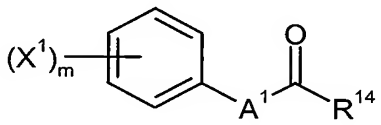
b') at least one crop plant compatibility-improving compound selected from the following group of compounds:

4-dichloroacetyl-1-oxa-4-azaspiro[4.5]decane (AD-67, MON-4660), 1-dichloroacetylhexahydro-3,3,8a-trimethylpyrrolo[1,2-a]pyrimidin-6(2H)-one (dicyclonon, BAS-145138), 4-dichloroacetyl-3,4-dihydro-3-methyl-2H-1,4-benzoxazine (benoxacor), 1-methylhexyl 5-chloroquinoline-8-oxyacetate (cloquintocet-mexyl ~~– cf. also related compounds in EP-A-86750, EP-A-94349, EP-A-191736, EP-A-492366~~), 3-(2-chlorobenzyl)-1-(1-methyl-1-phenylethyl)urea (cumyluron), α-(cyanomethoximino)phenylacetonitrile (cyometrinil), 2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid (2,4-D), 4-(2,4-dichlorophenoxy)butyric acid (2,4-DB), 1-(1-methyl-1-phenylethyl)-3-(4-methylphenyl)urea (daimuron, dymron), 3,6-dichloro-2-methoxybenzoic acid (dicamba), S-1-methyl 1-phenylethyl piperidine-1-thiocarboxylate (dimepiperate), 2,2-dichloro-N-(2-oxo-2-(2-propenylamino)ethyl)-N-(2-propenyl)-acetamide (DKA-24), 2,2-dichloro-N,N-di-2-propenylacetamide (dichlormid), 4,6-dichloro-2-phenylpyrimidine (fenclorim), ethyl 1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-trichloromethyl-1H-1,2,4-triazole-3-carboxylate (fenchlorazole-ethyl ~~– cf. also related compounds in EP-A-174562 and~~

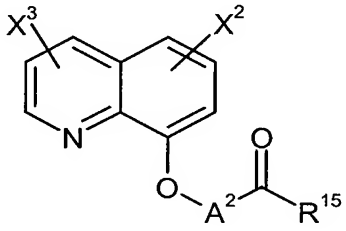
~~EP-A-346620~~), phenylmethyl 2-chloro-4-trifluoromethylthiazole-5-carboxylate (flurazole), 4-chloro-N-(1,3-dioxolan-2-ylmethoxy)-α-trifluoroacetophenone oxime (fluxofenim), 3-dichloroacetyl-5-(2-furanyl)-2,2-dimethyloxazolidine (furilazole, MON-13900), ethyl 4,5-dihydro-5,5-diphenyl-3-isoxazolecarboxylate (isoxadifen-ethyl ~~—cf. also related compounds in WO-A-95/07897~~), 1-(ethoxycarbonyl)ethyl 3,6-dichloro-2-methoxybenzoate (lactidichlor), (4-chloro-o-tolyloxy)acetic acid (MCPA), 2-(4-chloro-o-tolyloxy)propionic acid (mecoprop), diethyl 1-(2,4-dichorophenyl)-4,5-dihydro-5-methyl-1H-pyrazole-3,5-dicarboxylate (mefenpyr-diethyl - cf. also related compounds in WO-A-91/07874), 2-dichloromethyl-2-methyl-1,3-dioxolane (MG-191), 2-propenyl 1-oxa-4-azaspiro[4.5]decane-4-carbodithioate (MG-838), 1,8-naphthalic anhydride, α-(1,3-dioxolan-2-ylmethoximino)phenylacetonitrile (oxabetrinil), 2,2-dichloro-N-(1,3-dioxolan-2-ylmethyl)-N-(2-propenyl)acetamide (PPG-1292), 3-dichloroacetyl-2,2-dimethyloxazolidine (R-28725), 3-dichloroacetyl-2,2,5-trimethyloxazolidine (R-29148), 4-(4-chloro-o-tolyl)butyric acid, 4-(4-chlorophenoxy)butyric acid, diphenylmethoxyacetic acid, methyl diphenylmethoxyacetate, ethyl diphenylmethoxyacetate, methyl 1-(2-chlorophenyl)-5-phenyl-1H-pyrazole-3-carboxylate, ethyl 1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-methyl-1H-pyrazole-3-carboxylate, ethyl 1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-isopropyl-1H-pyrazole-3-carboxylate, ethyl 1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-(1,1-dimethylethyl)-1H-pyrazole-3-carboxylate, ethyl 1-(2,4-dichlorophenyl)-5-phenyl-1H-pyrazole-3-carboxylate (~~cf. also related compounds in EP-A-269806 and EP-A-333131~~), ethyl 5-(2,4-dichlorobenzyl)-2-isoxazoline-3-carboxylate, ethyl 5-phenyl-2-isoxazoline-3-carboxylate, ethyl 5-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-phenyl-2-isoxazoline-3-carboxylate (~~cf. also related compounds in WO-A-91/08202~~), 1,3-dimethylbut-1-yl 5-chloroquinoline-8-oxyacetate, 4-allyloxybutyl 5-chloroquinoline-8-oxyacetate, 1-allyloxyprop-2-yl 5-chloroquinoline-8-oxyacetate, methyl 5-chloroquinoxaline-8-oxy-

acetate, ethyl 5-chloroquinoline-8-oxyacetate, allyl 5-chloroquinoxaline-8-oxyacetate, 2-oxoprop-1-yl 5-chloroquinoline-8-oxyacetate, diethyl 5-chloroquinoline-8-oxymalonate, diallyl 5-chloroquinoxaline-8-oxymalonate, diethyl 5-chloroquinoline-8-oxymalonate (~~cf. also related compounds in EP-A-582198~~), 4-carboxychroman-4-ylacetic acid (AC-304415, ~~cf. EP-A-613618~~), 4-chlorophenoxyacetic acid, 3,3'-dimethyl-4-methoxybenzophenone, 1-bromo-4-chloromethylsulphonylbenzene, 1-[4-(N-2-methoxybenzoylsulphamoyl)-phenyl]-3-methylurea (also known as N-(2-methoxybenzoyl)-4-[(methylaminocarbonyl)amino]benzenesulphonamide), 1-[4-(N-2-methoxybenzoylsulphamoyl)phenyl]-3,3-dimethylurea, 1-[4-(N-4,5-dimethylbenzoylsulphamoyl)phenyl]-3-methylurea, 1-[4-(N-naphthylsulphamoyl)phenyl]-3,3-dimethylurea, N-(2-methoxy-5-methylbenzoyl)-4-(cyclopropylaminocarbonyl)benzenesulphonamide,

and/or one of the following compounds, ~~defined by general formulae,~~ of the general formula (IIa)



or of the general formula (IIb)



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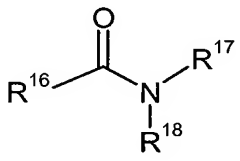
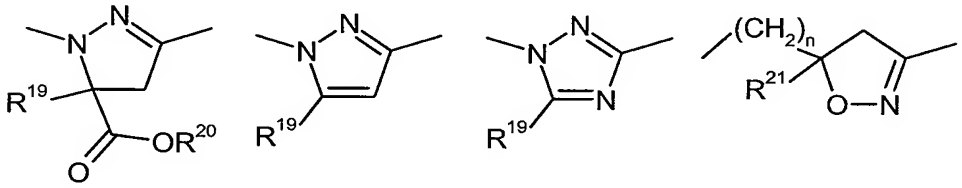


where

m represents the number 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5,

A^1 represents one of the divalent heterocyclic groupings shown below,



n represents the number 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5,

A^2 represents optionally C_1-C_4-alkyl- and/or C_1-C_4-alkoxy-carbonyl- and/or C_1-C_4-alkenyloxy-carbonyl-substituted alkanediyl having 1 or 2 carbon atoms,

R^{14} represents hydroxyl, mercapto, amino, C_1-C_6-alkoxy, C_1-C_6-alkylthio, C_1-C_6-alkylamino or di-(C_1-C_4-alkyl)amino,

R^{15} represents hydroxyl, mercapto, amino, C_1-C_7-alkoxy, C_1-C_6-alkenyloxy, C_1-C_6-alkenyloxy-C_1-C_6-alkoxy, C_1-C_6-alkylthio, C_1-C_6-alkylamino or di-(C_1-C_4-alkyl)-amino,

R^{16} represents in each case optionally fluorine-, chlorine- and/or bromine-substituted C_1-C_4-alkyl,

R^{17} represents hydrogen, in each case optionally fluorine-, chlorine- and/or bromine-substituted C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_2-C_6-alkenyl or C_2-C_6-alkynyl, C_1-C_4-alkoxy-C_1-C_4-alkyl, dioxolanyl-C_1-C_4-alkyl, furyl, furyl-C_1-C_4-alkyl, thienyl, thiazolyl,

piperidinyl, or optionally fluorine-, chlorine- and/or bromine- or C_1-C_4-alkyl-substituted phenyl,

R^{18} represents hydrogen, in each case optionally fluorine-, chlorine- and/or bromine-substituted C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_2-C_6-alkenyl or C_2-C_6-alkynyl, C_1-C_4-alkoxy-C_1-C_4-alkyl, dioxolanyl-C_1-C_4-alkyl, furyl, furyl-C_1-C_4-alkyl, thienyl, thiazolyl, piperidinyl, or optionally fluorine-, chlorine- and/or bromine- or C_1-C_4-alkyl-substituted phenyl, R^{17} and R^{18} also together optionally represent C_3-C_6-alkanediyl or C_2-C_5-oxaalkanediyl, each of which is optionally substituted by C_1-C_4-alkyl, phenyl, furyl, a fused benzene ring or by two substituents which, together with the C atom to which they are attached, form a 5- or 6-membered carbocycle,

R^{19} represents hydrogen, cyano, halogen, or represents in each case optionally fluorine-, chlorine- and/or bromine-substituted C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_3-C_6-cycloalkyl or phenyl,

R^{20} represents hydrogen, optionally hydroxyl-, cyano-, halogen- or C_1-C_4-alkoxy-substituted C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_3-C_6-cycloalkyl or tri-(C_1-C_4-alkyl)silyl,

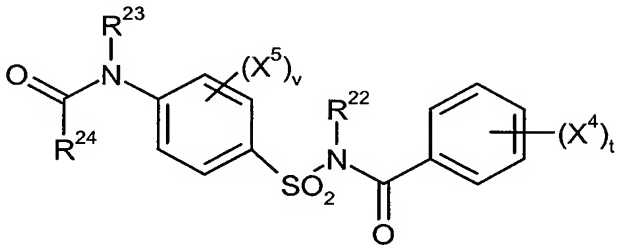
R^{21} represents hydrogen, cyano, halogen, or represents in each case optionally fluorine-, chlorine- and/or bromine-substituted C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_3-C_6-cycloalkyl or phenyl,

X^1 represents nitro, cyano, halogen, C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_1-C_4-haloalkyl, C_1-C_4-alkoxy or C_1-C_4-haloalkoxy,

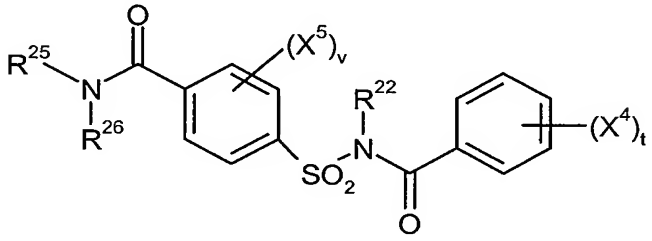
X^2 represents hydrogen, cyano, nitro, halogen, C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_1-C_4-haloalkyl, C_1-C_4-alkoxy or C_1-C_4-haloalkoxy,

X^3 represents hydrogen, cyano, nitro, halogen, C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_1-C_4-haloalkyl, C_1-C_4-alkoxy or C_1-C_4-haloalkoxy,

and/or the following compounds, defined by general formulae, of the general formula (IId)



or of the general formula (IIe)



(IIe)

where

t represents the number 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5,

v represents the number 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5,

R^{22} represents hydrogen or C_1-C_4-alkyl,

R^{23} represents hydrogen or C_1-C_4-alkyl,

R^{24} represents hydrogen, in each case optionally cyano-, halogen- or C_1-C_4-alkoxy-substituted C_1-C_6-alkyl, C_1-C_6-alkoxy, C_1-C_6-alkylthio, C_1-C_6-alkylamino or di-(C_1-C_4-alkyl)amino, or in each case optionally cyano-, halogen- or C_1-C_4-alkyl-substituted C_3-C_6-cycloalkyl, C_3-C_6-cycloalkyloxy, C_3-C_6-cycloalkylthio or C_3-C_6-cycloalkylamino,

R^{25} represents hydrogen, optionally cyano-, hydroxyl-, halogen- or C_1-C_4-alkoxy-substituted C_1-C_6-alkyl, in each case optionally cyano- or halogen-substituted C_3-

C_6-alkenyl or C_3-C_6-alkynyl, or optionally cyano-, halogen- or C_1-C_4-alkyl-substituted C_3-C_6-cycloalkyl,

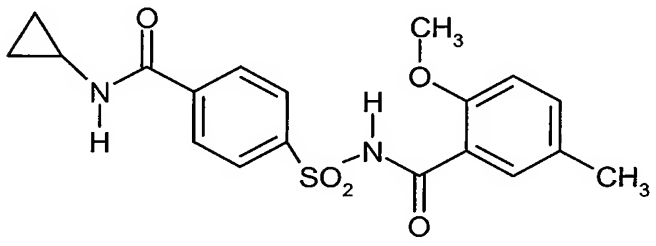
R^{26} represents hydrogen, optionally cyano-, hydroxyl-, halogen- or C_1-C_4-alkoxy-substituted C_1-C_6-alkyl, in each case optionally cyano- or halogen-substituted C_3-C_6-alkenyl or C_3-C_6-alkynyl, optionally cyano-, halogen- or C_1-C_4-alkyl-substituted C_3-C_6-cycloalkyl, or optionally nitro-, cyano-, halogen-, C_1-C_4-alkyl-, C_1-C_4-haloalkyl, C_1-C_4-alkoxy- or C_1-C_4-haloalkoxy-substituted phenyl, or together with R^{25} represents in each case optionally C_1-C_4-alkyl-substituted C_2-C_6-alkanediyl or C_2-C_5-oxaalkanediyl,

X^4 represents nitro, cyano, carboxyl, carbamoyl, formyl, sulphamoyl, hydroxyl, amino, halogen, C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_1-C_4-haloalkyl, C_1-C_4-alkoxy or C_1-C_4-haloalkoxy, and

X^5 represents nitro, cyano, carboxyl, carbamoyl, formyl, sulphamoyl, hydroxyl, amino, halogen, C_1-C_4-alkyl, C_1-C_4-haloalkyl, C_1-C_4-alkoxy or C_1-C_4-haloalkoxy.

13. (Currently amended) ~~Compositions~~ A composition according to Claim 12, where the crop plant compatibility-improving compound is selected from the following group of compounds:

cloquintocet-mexyl, fenchlorazole-ethyl, isoxadifen-ethyl, mefenpyr-diethyl, furilazole, fenclorim, cumyluron, dymron or the compounds



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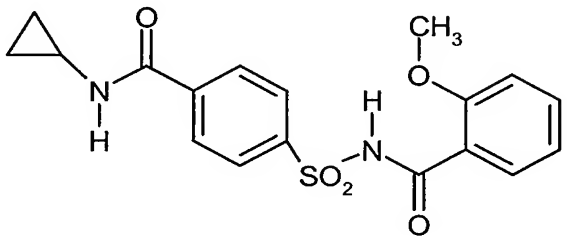
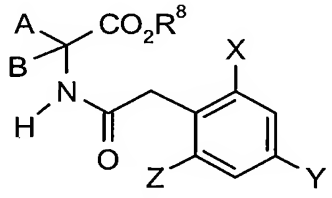


14. (Currently amended) ~~Compositions~~ A composition according to Claim 12 or 13 where the crop plant compatibility-improving compound is cloquintocet-mexyl or mefenpyr-diethyl.

15. (Currently amended) ~~Method~~ A method for controlling unwanted vegetation, ~~characterized in that~~ comprising applying a composition according to Claim 12 ~~is allowed to react~~ on the plants or their habitat.

16. (Cancelled)

17. (Currently amended) ~~Compounds~~ A compound of the formula (II)



(II)

in which

~~A, B, X, Y and Z are as defined above~~

X is chlorine or bromine,

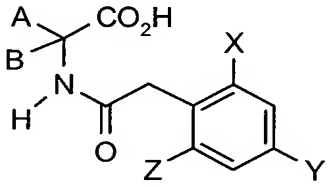
Y is C_1-C_3-alkyl,

Z is ethyl, n-propyl or n-butyl,

A, B and the carbon atom to which they are attached form a saturated C_6-cycloalkyl in which optionally the third methylene group is replaced by oxygen and which is optionally substituted by or C_1-C_6-alkoxy, and

R^8 is alkyl.

18. (Currently amended) ~~Compounds~~ A compound of the formula (XVI)



(XVI)

in which

~~A, B, X, Y and Z are as defined above~~

X is chlorine or bromine,

Y is C_1-C_3-alkyl,

Z is ethyl, n-propyl or n-butyl,

A, B and the carbon atom to which they are attached form a saturated C_6-cycloalkyl in which optionally the third methylene group is replaced by oxygen and which is optionally substituted by C_1-C_6-alkoxy, and

R^8 is alkyl.

19. (Previously presented) 2-Chloro-4-methyl-6-ethylphenylacetic acid, methyl 2-chloro-4-methyl-6-phenylacetate, 1'-(2-chloro-4-methyl-6-ethylphenyl)-2',2',2'-trichloroethane and 2-chloro-6-ethyl-4-methylaniline.